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9 February 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT: Idar Rimestad

1. In regard to the visit to the Agency in the near future of Mr. Rimestad, there are several items I believe it would be profitable to discuss with him.

(a) The so-called Vietnam War Amendments and specifically the retroactive grant of time off with no charge for sick leave of people injured in Vietnam.

(b) Comparing notes on pending legislation on cost-of-living adjustments in the Foreign Service Retirement Act and CIA Retirement Act.



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2. I can send you more details on each of these if you need them or I would be happy to participate for a few minutes when Rimestad is here. I will be happy to handle this any way you wish.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Visit to Headquarters by Mr. Idar Rimestad

1. At Agency invitation Mr. Idar Rimestad, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration, visited Headquarters today for full briefings on Agency organizations, missions, and functions.

2. While briefing Mr. Rimestad in the DD/P conference room, Mr. Karamessines urged that the Clandestine Services and Mr. Rimestad's office each appoint a senior officer to discuss ways and means

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3. Dr. Chamberlain gave a short background briefing on the work of DD/S&T, citing in particular examples of ways in which DD/S&T work involves operations abroad and support from the Department.

4. Mr. Proctor described the work of DD/I. After hearing about the extensive production work of DD/I, Mr. Rimestad had some

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questions about duplication by INR. The explanation given was that INR undertakes Departmental matters, whereas most DD/I output is national in character.

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6. Following a very full background briefing on the work of all DD/S components, Mr. Bannerman described the importance he attaches to the assignment to Mr. Rimestad's staff of a full-time Agency officer to handle matters of mutual concern. In a very frank response Mr. Rimestad said that virtually all his staff's advice on this subject is negative and that many in the Department feel they are being smothered by the Agency. He asked for time--a week or two--before deciding on the next move. He said he is inclined to think there are good ways to improve communications between the Department and the Agency but is not certain there is so much to be done in this area that it would require one man's full time.

7. In a final session in the Executive Director's office, Colonel White and Mr. Critchfield mentioned at the Director's request our desire to [redacted] Mr. Rimestad said he will look into this.

8. The Executive Director stated his hope that Mr. Rimestad will agree to the assignment of an Agency officer to his staff. Mr. Rimestad repeated the Department's concern about this but said there may be ways to get around this concern. For example, an Agency officer could be formally assigned to CIA Headquarters with a "temporary" desk always available to him in Mr. Rimestad's office. Such a tactic might make the pill easier to swallow in the Department. In any case, Mr. Rimestad said that some additional time will be required before he can take a position on this.

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| REMARKS: <i>John: we did not have an opportunity to discuss these items with Kinnestad. In fact we tried to make it a briefing rather than a problem day.</i> | | |
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